

REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesies shown to Applicants' representative during the personal interview conducted on July 8, 2004. In accordance with the agreement reached during that interview, Applicants amend independent claims 1 and 16 to clarify that "first attempt" is performed in relation to providing location services.

The Office Action rejected claims 1-3, 6-8, and 14-16 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Silver et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,560,457) in view of Fried et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,094,581). Claims 9-13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Silver et al. in view of Fried et al. and Billstrom et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,590,133).

As was agreed to by the Examiner and his supervisor during the personal interview, this amendment distinguishes the Silver et al. reference and overcomes the prior art rejections because Silver, analyzed individually or in combination with the other cited references (Fried et al. and Billstrom et al.), does not disclose, teach or suggest such a feature.. Accordingly, the prior art rejections are traversed and claims 1-16 are allowable.

All objections and rejections having been addressed, Applicants request issuance of a notice of allowance indicating the allowability of all pending claims. If anything further is necessary to place the application in condition for allowance, Applicants request that the Examiner contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

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